

**Lincoln, Nebraska
March 16, 2005**

**JUSTICE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TEAM
*MEETING MINUTES***

The Justice Substance Abuse Team (JSAT) of the Community Corrections Council met Wednesday, March 16, 2005, in the Lower Level Conference Room F, of the Nebraska State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Present:

Scot Adams
Janet Bancroft
Jerome Barry
Shannon Black
Ellen Brokofsky
John Dacey
Rosie Cillessen
Aileen Gruendel
Julie Hippen
Randy Kohl
Linda Krutz
Jim McKenzie
Deb Minardi
Mike Overton
T. Hank Robinson
Julie Rogers
Steve Rowoldt
Kathy Seacrest, Chair
Dan Sturgis
Linda Wittmuss

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Kathy Seacrest, Chair, called the meeting to order. Attendance is indicated above. Each person present introduced him or herself and gave a brief statement about his or her involvement. This being their initial meeting, the Community Corrections Council behavioral health members were welcomed and recognized

PRESENTATION TO THE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS COUNCIL (COUNCIL) – UPDATE

The packet of information that was presented to the Council was distributed. Updated information will be provided.

The talking points for the Council meeting's update on the Nebraska Supreme Court Rule regarding Nebraska's Standardized Model for the Delivery of Substance Abuse Services were also distributed.

It was noted that the Council unanimously approved the concepts presented by the Substance Abuse Treatment Work Team.

SUPREME COURT'S STANDARDIZED MODEL COURT RULE PROCESS

Ellen Brokofsky and Janet Bancroft described the Supreme Court's intention to incorporate the Standardized Model by adoption of a court rule. (See *Nebraska Supreme Court Proposed Rule: Regarding Nebraska's Standardized Model for the Delivery of Substance Abuse Services Talking Points* attached) If any entity or individual is going to provide this service to the courts, the rule will outline the process of doing so.

The discussion included the following points:

- A Standardized Model approved curriculum will be set up for probation officers, judges, and providers.
- A standardized reporting format is part of the Model.
- An opportunity for training will be offered.
- The ASI is the identified tool to 1) gather data and 2) identify the level of care.
- Any training may be part of continuing education units.
- JSAT will be involved in providing input and feedback on the curriculum.

During the process of adopting the court rule, there will likely be an opportunity for the public to provide written comment.

IDENTIFY GROUP FUNCTIONS

Name

A motion was made by Jerome Barry and seconded by Deb Minardi to adopt the name "Justice Substance Abuse Team of the Community Corrections Council (JSAT)." The motion was approved.

Mission

The mission was described as continuing to do the work the group has been doing. A new part of the mission is to report to the Community Corrections Council.

Sub-Committees

Three sub-committees were identified.

1. Data

The following make up the data committee:

Mike Overton (Call the first meeting.)
Ellen Brokofsky (Chair)
Janet Bancroft
Shannon Black
Kathy Gibson-Beltz
Julie Hippen
Hank Robinson
Linda Wittmuss

2. Curriculum

The following make up the curriculum committee:

Janet Bancroft (Call the first meeting)
Jerome Barry
Ellen Brokofsky
John Dacey
Kathleen Grant
Deb Minardi
Steve Rowoldt
Kate Speck
Dan Sturgis
EAO provider representative
DCS representative (Dr. Bohn or Dr. White – Shannon Black will if
neither is available)
HHS – Behavioral Health representative

3. Strategic Planning

The following make up the strategic planning committee:

Hank Robinson (Chair)
Scot Adams
Ellen Brokofsky
Aileen Gruendel (tentatively)
Linda Krutz
Julie Rogers

The strategic planning committee will investigate and facilitate such subjects as:

- Grant investigation;
- The hiring of an employee;
- Website utilization;
- Formulation of a vision;
- Facilitation of the coordination process; and
- Future planning.

Included in the discussion of JSAT's functions, it was agreed that the creation of a newsletter or fact sheet would be very beneficial. Kathy Seacreat will draft the document. Linda Wittmuss will assist in the development. Linda Krutz will send out the finished document via e-mail.

Kathy Seacrest announced that members should come to the next meeting prepared to nominate the next chairperson of JSAT.

“ACCESS TO RECOVERY” FEDERAL GRANT

It was discussed and approved that a letter would be drafted supporting submitting a reworked grant application for the “Access to Recovery” federal grant targeting the same population as last year's grant application. The letter shall be sent to the Governor and copied to Nancy Montanez, Richard DeLiberty, and Mike Overton.

ASAM CRITERIA

Roxie Cillessen gave an overview of the status of the substance abuse Medicaid waiver. HHS and Medicaid are in the initial stages of adopting ASAM criteria. Agenda items for future meetings will include a presentation on the Medicaid waiver and Medicaid adopting the ASAM criteria.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Friday, June 3, 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Lower Level of the State Office Building, Lincoln, Nebraska.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie L. Rogers